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To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53 (b), of pending prior application

Serial No. 09/522,383

filed on March 10, 2000

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(Inventor)

For AUTOMATIC METER READING SYSTEM USING LOCALLY COMMUNICATING UTILITY METERS

(Title of Invention)

ENCLOSED ARE:

1. ☒ Specification having 38 total pages.
2. ☒ 12 sheets of ☒ formal ☐ informal drawings.
3. ☒ Declaration ☒ copy from prior application.
☐ newly executed (if additional inventor(s) under 37 CFR 1.63(d) (5).
4. ☐ Preliminary Amendment.
5. ☐ Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in prior application under 37 CFR 1.63 (d) (2).
6. ☐ The power of attorney or correspondence address was was changed during prosecution of the prior application.
A copy of the new power of attorney or correspondence address is submitted herewith under 37 CFR 1.63 (d) (4).
7. ☒ Other IDS

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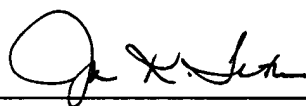
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9. ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-0868.
10. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-34 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
11. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: This application is a ☐ continuation ☒ division of application Serial No. 09/522,383, filed 03/10/00, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.
12. ☒ Priority of application Serial No. 09/132,080 filed on 08/10/98 in United States of America is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
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